STATE OF MONTANA

Executive Order No. 15-77

RESCINDER 21-82

Declaration of Crisis Exemption

Office of the Governor

I, THOMAS L. JUDGE, in accordance with the powers vested in me as governor by the laws and constitutions of the State of Montana and the United States, and in particular recognition of 40 CFR, Part 166.1 through 166.11, do hereby declare a Crisis Exemption under Section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, as amended to permit the use of the pesticide Avitrol (FC Corn Chops-99S) to control blackbirds causing damage to sunflowers in Montana. Director Gordon McOmber of the Montana Department of Agriculture has determined that there is no available pesticide registered for use on sunflowers to control blackbirds in Montana and that the time element with respect to the application of the pesticide is so critical that there is not sufficient time to request a specific exemption. Under the provisions of this Crisis Exemption, the product may be purchased by licensed pesticide dealers in the state and sold to licensed applicators or sunflower producers. Application of the pesticide shall be accomplished only by aerial applicators licensed in the State of Montana. Be it further noted that general supervision of the application of the product will be maintained by the Animal Damage Control Division of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Department of Agriculture.

> GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana this 30th day of August, in the year of our LORD, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-seven.

> > JUDGE, Governor

ATTEST:

MURRAY, Secretary of State
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